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SUBJECT: AUSTRIAN RESPONSE: URGING SUPPORT FOR UNRWA FLASH
APPEAL IN LEBANON AND EMERGENCY APPEAL IN WEST BANK AND GAZA

REF: STATE 78944

1. (SBU) Acting EconPol Counselor met on June 14 with Werner Stenzel, the Deputy Head of the MFA's Humanitarian Assistance Department, to deliver reftel points. Stenzel said that, unfortunately, Austria would not be able to contribute to either the flash appeal for Lebanon or the emergency appeal for the West Bank and Gaza. Stenzel explained that the GoA does not have a budgetary item for extraordinary humanitarian assistance. Stenzel noted that the GoA had pledged Euro 1 million to UNRWA at the January Paris conference.
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